

THE REMARKS

In response to the restriction requirement, Applicants are electing Group I, Claims 1-17 and 22-24, wherein the gene product is a polypeptide, for prosecution.

In response to the species election requirement, Applicants are electing the following species:

HPV gene-product: HPV E7 gene,

Label: an enzyme,

Probe: a polypeptide,

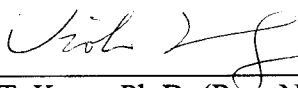
HPV subtype: HPV 16.

Claims 1-3, 6-17, 22-24 read upon the elected species.

Upon the allowance of a generic claim, Applicant are entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of an allowed generic claim as provided by 37 CFR §1.141.

Respectfully submitted,

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